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UNCLASSIFIED JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

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Deputy Superintendent for Student Achievement

RECRUITMENT OPEN TO:

This is an open competitive recruitment, open to all qualified applicants. This position is appointed by and serves at the pleasure of the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

AGENCY RESPONSIBILITIES:

The Nevada Department of Education's mission is to elevate student performance by ensuring opportunity, facilitating learning, and promoting excellence. The Department will pursue its mission and achieve its goals with four major strategies: (1) Implement standards and assessments, (2) Classify, reward and support school, district, and State performance, (3) Facilitate high impact instruction and leadership, and (4) Achieve management integrity within the Education Department. Among its many tasks, the Department sets education policy and standards, manages assessments, ensures compliance with federal education law, licenses educators, ensures statewide program accountability, administers grants, and distributes funds to local education agencies. The State Board of Education adopts rules and regulations and the Superintendent ensures observance of Nevada's education laws.

APPROXIMATE ANNUAL SALARY:

Up to \$107,465 plus benefits * (Salary range reflects retirement (PERS) contributions by both the employee and employer. An employer paid contribution plan is also available with a reduced gross salary.) *Please note: Furlough Leave is mandatory for Nevada State employees and will result in a reduction of income of approximately 2.3% (or 4 hours per month) starting July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2015. The salary listed above does not reflect the reduction from the required furlough.

BENEFITS:

The State benefits package includes a retirement system, paid health, vision, dental, life and disability insurance; 11 paid holidays, and paid sick and annual leave. Other employee paid benefits such as deferred compensation plans are available.

POSITION DESCRIPTION:

This position reports to the Superintendent of Public Instruction. Under the general direction of the Superintendent, the Deputy will be responsible for the overall operations of the offices and programs most directly aligned with improving student achievement: Assessment, Program Accountability and Curriculum; Career, Technical and Adult Education; and Educational Opportunity. The Deputy will supervise the administrative and operational activities of staff in Carson City and Las Vegas.

This position will ensure compliance with policies and procedures of the Department of Education, including Nevada Revised Statues, Nevada Administrative Code, and relevant federal laws including but not limited to the Elementary and Secondary Education Act. Duties include:

- Developing and administering regulations, policies and procedures;
- Directing the administration of programs designed to improve student achievement and overall school performance;
- Conducting research, recommending strategies, and developing new programs to advance the performance of students in this state;
- Participating in administrative hearings and rulemaking proceedings;
- Developing and presenting agency budgets;
- Establishing and maintaining a cooperative relationship with agencies of local, state, and federal government;
- Representing the Department publicly, including media and public appearances, participating
 in conferences, councils, associations, committees and workgroups, testifying before the
 Nevada Legislature, and coordinating and participating in public information campaigns;
- Representing the Superintendent on committees and at other public functions on an asneeded basis and speaking to professional bodies as required; and
- Helping define and achieve the vision, mission, goals and objectives of the Department that are performance driven and results oriented.

The Deputy works in a team-oriented environment in which professional and administrative staff work in concert to best represent the State of Nevada. The position is student-focused and engages in problem-solving, critical thinking, and advocacy on behalf of school children throughout Nevada.

TO QUALIFY:

A Bachelor's degree in education, business administration, public administration, or related field with at least five years of management responsibility, preferably in a public sector environment or an equivalent combination of experience and/or education. The ideal candidate will have a proven ability to read, analyze and interpret statutes and regulations, as well as sufficient computer and writing skills and the ability to manage a large staff and complex projects. An understanding of federal and state laws pertaining to education and a thorough knowledge of education reform initiatives, especially in the areas of assessment and program accountability, is preferred. Experience working with large budgets is required. Experience working with grants is required. Experience as a classroom teacher or school administrator is beneficial but not required. Excellent verbal and written communications skills, with the ability to interface with staff, licensees, the public, legislators, and other municipal, state and federal regulators.

POSITION LOCATION:

Carson City or Las Vegas, Nevada

<u>LETTERS OF INTEREST AND RESUMES WILL BE ACCEPTED UNTILTHE POSITION</u> IS FILLED.

(All letters of interest and resumes will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Hiring may occur at any time during the recruitment process.)

SUBMIT LETTERS OF INTEREST/ RESUMES/DIRECT INQUIRIES TO:

Department of Administration

HR Services

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